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PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALLEN, 11 & 12, Clerkenwell Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. GEORGE STREET & CO., CORNILL, GORDON & GOUGH, LUDGATE CIRCLE, E.C. BATES HENDY & CO., J. W. WILBROOK, E.C. SAMUEL DRAGON & CO., 160 & 164, Leadenhall Street, W.M. WILLIS, 151, Dawson Street, E.C. ROBERT WATSON, 160 Fleet Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—AMADEE PRINCE, 35, Rue Lafayette, Paris.

NEW YORK.—J. SWARTZ HATTER, THE CHURCH EVANGELIST OFFICE, 52, West 22d Street.

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SYDNEY.—W. M. BROWN & CO., THE APOTHECARY CO., Sydney.

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Banks.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-in CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000.
RESERVE FUND.....\$3,000,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF.....\$10,000,000.
PROVISIONS.....

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS:

T. E. DAVIES, Esq., Chairman.
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HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance up to \$200,000.

On Fixed Deposits—
For 6 months 3½ per cent. per annum,
" 12 " 4 " " up to
" 12 " 4 " " on sums
in excess of \$200,000.

F. DE BOVIS,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, September 28, 1892. 1435

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

The business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 4½ PER CENT. per annum. Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4½ PER CENT. per annum.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, F. DE BOVIS, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, August 1, 1892. 1515

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....£1,000,000.
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL.....£500,000.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

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With Sub-Branch of Hongkong.

Current Account opened. Money received on Deposit. Drafts issued. Bills purchased and collected. Advances made on securities or goods in neutral godowns. Usual Bank Agency business undertaken.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5%.

do. 6 do. do. 4½%.

do. 3 do. do. 3½%.

Current Accounts.....2½%.

For rates of Interest for other periods apply to the Manager.

Hongkong, November 26, 1892. 22

WINDSOR HOTEL
(in Connaught Buildings),
QUEEN'S ROAD, HONGKONG.

THE Private Hotel heretofore carried on in the WINDSOR HOUSE has now been removed to CONNAUGHT HOUSE, Queen's Road under European management. Each Bed-room has its own Bath-room, Hot and Cold water. Passenger Elevator to all Floors.

Charges from \$2 per day upwards.

Special Rates for Families or Permanent Boarders. Offices and Rooms to let. Unfurnished, and Rooms with or without Board, by day or month. Apply at the Office, No. 37, 1st Floor.

Hongkong, August 25, 1892. 1534

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Ordinary General MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 1st and 2nd Floors, Roman Building, WEDNESDAY, the 21st Inst., at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending November 30th, 1892.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st instant to the 27th instant, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 8, 1892. 2158

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 19.—NOTICE is hereby given, that MONDAY Next, the 26th inst., and MONDAY, the 2nd January, 1893, will be observed as HOLIDAYS, at the KOWLOON CUSTOMS OFFICE.

Work at the Opium Examination Hulk and Customs Stations will proceed as usual.

J. MCLEAVY BROWN,
Commissioner of Customs
for Kowloon and District.

CUSTOM HOUSE,
Kowloon, 19th December, 1892. 2232

SINGING AND PIANO.

SIGNOR CATTANEO, having returned from Europe, has pleasure in informing the Community, that he will be in a position to RESUME TEACHING in a few days.

Apply to
MESSRS. KELLY & WALSH,
Hongkong, December 6, 1892. 2138

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IN accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General Agents, with approval of the Consulting Committee, will, on the 2nd January, 1893, ISSUE INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per Share, PAYABLE AT THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, the same being at the Rate of 10 Per Cent. Per Annum on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the Year 1892.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Agents,
CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED,
Hongkong, December 15, 1892. 2205

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

F. W. CROSS,
Manager.

Hongkong, December 16, 1892. 2209

THE MIKE COAL MINING COMPANY.

THE MIKE COAL is a bituminous Coal of dark reddish colour. For Steam purposes, it has been pronounced to be the best and the most economical of all the Japanese Coals.

Its export is increasing yearly, and the opinions expressed by several of the largest regular consumers are in testimony of the excellent qualities of this Coal.

ATTENTION is called to the following ADVANTAGES to Shippers and Captains who Coal their Barkers direct from the Undersigned—

Freshness of the Coal.
Uniformity of quality.
Freedom from impurities.
Supply in any quantity on shortest notice.
Quite despatch.

Best of weight, etc., etc.

MITSUJI BUSSAN KAISHA,
Sole Agents.

Hongkong, October 1, 1892. 1714

W. POWELL & CO.

FOR XMAS PRESENTS.

Toys! Toys!! Toys!!!

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, December 17, 1892. 2220

IMPERIAL ENGLISH and CHINESE DIARY.

IMPERIAL ENGLISH and CHINESE DATE BLOCK.

LETTS' DIARIES.

T. J. & J. SMITH'S DIARIES.

SHAKSPERE CALENDARS.

HUDSON & KEARN'S BLOTTING PAD DIARIES.

XMAS NO. of ILLUSTRATED NEWS—

Graphic—Black and White—Yule Tide—Lady's Pictorial—Sporting and Dramatic—Pearl's Annual—Tudor Hood's Comical Annual.

JUST PUBLISHED—\$1.00.

CHINA & CHRISTIANITY,

BY
The Author of
MISSIONARIES IN CHINA.

KELLY & WALSH,
LIMITED,

HONGKONG. 2154

TRADE MARK

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR &
Co.,
Wine and Spirit Merchants,

13, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, August 18, 1891. 1012

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(in Connaught Buildings),
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Hongkong, August 25, 1892. 1534

Business Notices.

Christmas 1892 !!

SEVEN-DAY MAIL & CABLE CO.

HAVE NOW RECEIVED THEIR

NEW CHRISTMAS STOCK and are now showing a splendid COLLECTION of ARTICLES suitable for

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

LEATHER GOODS, ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, TABLE FLOWER SETS, BOOKS, LAMPS and LAMP SHADES, FITTED DRESSING BAGS, JEWEL CASES, DECORATIVE CHINA and GLASSWARE, and a GOOD ASSORTMENT of NOVELTIES—all at Moderate Prices.

CHILDREN'S TOYS.

TOY BOOKS, FRENCH DOLLS, RUBBER and WOOL TOYS, MAGIC LANTERNS, American TOYS, German TOYS, English TOYS, French TOYS.

THE LATEST COSAQUES.

CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATIONS, FLAGS & BANNERS:

CONFECTIIONERY.

NEW SEASON'S PUDDING and DESSERT FRUITS, NUTS, FIGS, MUSCATELS, ELVAS PLUMS.

CHRISTMAS CAKES and BISCUITS.

CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.

An Assortment of PROVISIONS suitable for the Season. Special YORK HAMS, STILTON and GORGONZOLA CHEESE.

WINEs.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, December 3, 1892. 2121

ROBERT LANG & Co.

NEW GOODS.

A LARGE SELECTION OF WHITE and STRIPE FLANNELS and SERGES.

TROPICAL TWEEDS, HOMESPUN and COATINGS.

TERAI HATS (all, COLONIAL and SUN HATS).

THE CHINA MAIL.

(No. 9324.—DECEMBER 20, 1892.)

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.
TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Globe, ... WEDNESDAY, Dec. 21.
Bldg. v. Honolulu, THURSDAY, Jan. 19/3.
Ocean, ... THURSDAY, Feb. 9/3.

THE Steamship *GAELO* will be despatched from San Francisco, 2d Yokohama, TO-MORROW, the 21st December, at Daylight, connection being made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

RATES OF PASSAGE.
From HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

To San Francisco, Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimault New Westminster, Port Town, \$225.00
and Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O. \$225.00
To Liverpool and London \$243.00
To Paris and Hamburg \$233.00
Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RATES OF PASSAGE TO OVERLAND CITIES, FIRST CLASS.

DESTINATION. 30 day. Tickets. Charge. Weight.

DESTINATION.	30 day.	Tickets.	Charge.	Weight.
Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb.	285.00			
St. Louis, Mo.	292.50	291.50		
St. Paul, Minn., Minneapolis, Minn.	292.50			
Chicago, Ill.	297.50	295.00		
Wisconsin, Wis.	299.50	295.00		
Columbus, Ohio	302.50	301.50		
Detroit, Mich.	304.50	304.20		
Cleveland, Ohio	306.50	305.00		
Toronto, Canada	309.50	307.45		
Pittsburg, Penn.	310.20	307.00		
Niagara Falls, N.Y. Buffalo, N.Y.	311.00	308.50		
Washington, D.C. Baltimore, Md.	317.90	311.75		
Montreal, Canada	319.75	313.00		
Philadelphia, Penn.	319.75	312.50		
New York	319.75	312.50		
Boston, Mass.	321.50	317.00		
Portland, Maine	327.20	317.00		

All the above Rates are in Mexican Dollars.
Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Tickets issued to Passengers booking to Europe or to Overland Points, are good for transportation across the American Continent viz the Union Pacific Railway System only.

Return Tickets.—First Class.—Prepaid return tickets to San Francisco will be issued at following rates:—

4 months ... \$337.50

12 " ... \$383.75

Time is reckoned from date of issue to date of re-embarkation at San Francisco.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarked at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan, or Europe.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received day the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the previous to sailing.

Consignee's Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 72, Queen's Road Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 20, 1892. 2115



STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,
ISMALIA, PORT SAID,
MALTA, GIBRALTAR, MAISSEUILLES,
BRINDISI,

PLYMOUTH AND LONDON;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA
AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for PATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

SPECIALLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENDULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship FORMOSA, Capt. C. E. BANCE, with His Majesty's Consent, will be despatched from this port LONDON, via MARSEILLE, on THURSDAY, the 22nd December, at noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 4 p.m. on the day before sailing.

Cargo for Bombay will be transhipped at Colombo into a local steamer proceeding thence to the former port.

For further Particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENDULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bill of Lading.

Passengers desirous of insuring their baggage can do so on application at the Company's Office.

This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for Mauritius.

H. H. JOSEPH,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office.

Hongkong, December 14, 1892. 2198

Entertainments.

WONDERFUL PANORAMA,
consisting of
VIVID ILLUMINATED SKETCHES
OF THE GREATEST WARS OF
THE WORLD, AND
THE SCENES OF THE LATE TERRIBLE
EARTHQUAKE IN JAPAN,
ETC., ETC.

Will be OPENED from the 17th Inst.,
at 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. DAILY on the
GROUND FLOOR, No. 2 QUEEN'S ROAD
CENTRAL, at the Entrance DUDDINGWELL STREET.

Prices of Admission:

Adults ... 30 Cents.

Children under 10 years of age ... 10 "

Soldiers and Sailors Uniform ... 20 "

A. NAPFLY,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, December 14, 1892. 2201

THEATRE ROYAL,

CITY HALL.

THE SONS OF NEPTUNE'

DUE AT CHRISTMAS.

Will Perform on the following dates:

December 26, 28 and 31.

USUAL PRICES.

Seats can be booked at Messrs. LANE,
CRAWFORD & CO.'s.

Hongkong, December 19, 1892. 2229

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE.

DUC DE MONTEBELLO

CHAMPAIGNE

\$22 per case, 6 bottles.

\$27 do. 6 do. (Extra dry).

\$25 do. 12 Quarts. (Dry).

\$26 do. 24 Pints. (do.).

\$26 do. 12 Quarts. (Extra dry).

\$27 do. (do.).

BRANDY.

\$7.50 to \$66 per case of 1 dozen Quarts.

CLARETS.

\$6 to \$42 per case of 1 dozen Quarts.

FRENCH BEER, WHITE WINES,
Etc., Etc., Etc. Price List on application.

M. S. SASOON & CO.,
Agents for
P. MIGNARD & CO.,
Shanghai.

Hongkong, November 25, 1892. 2077

FOR SALE.

THE GOOD S.S. PEKIN and S.S.
KWONG-MO.

For Particulars, apply to

SUI KEE CHAN,
53, Bondam Strand West.

Hongkong, November 14, 1892. 1999

Notices to Consignees.

STEAMSHIP MELBOURNE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNNEES.

CONSIGNNEES of Cargo from London
and S.S. Guadiana and Tigre, and from
Bordeaux ex S.S. Pt. Leroy Lallemand,
in connection with the above Steamer,
are hereby informed that their Goods—
with the exception of Opium, Treasure and
Valuables—are being landed and stored at
their risk at HONGKONG and KOWLOON
WHARF & GODWIN COMPANY's Godowne,
Kowloon, whence delivery may be ob-
tained immediately after landing.

Optional cargo will be forwarded on, unless
intimation is received from the Consignees
before 6 p.m. To-day (Friday), the 16th
Instant, questioning it will be landed here.

Bill of lading will be countersigned by
the Underwriters.

Cargo remaining unclaimed after Fri-
day, the 23rd Instant, at Noon, will be
subject to rent, and landing charge.

All claims must be sent in to me or to
before Friday, the 23rd Instant, or they
will not be recognized.

All Damaged Packages will be examined
on Friday, the 23rd Instant, at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, December 16, 1892. 2219

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's S.S. Wingang having
arrived from the above Ports, Con-
signees of Cargo by her are hereby informed
that the Goods will be delivered from
alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remain-
ing on board after the 15th Instant, at 5 p.m.,
will be landed at Consignee's risk and
expenses into Godown at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHEWS & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, December 14, 1892. 2192

10-day's Advertisements.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-
CHOW, TIENSIN, HANKOW
and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Steamship

Dardwass, Captain Pursey, will be
despatched as above on

FRIDAY, the 23rd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Agent.

Hongkong, December 20, 1892. 2237

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

(Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW-
CHOW, TIENSIN, HANKOW
and Ports on the YANGTZE.)

The Steamship

Teucer, Captain Pursey, will be
despatched as above on

THURSDAY, the 23rd Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Agent.

Hongkong, December 20, 1892. 2237

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, Books, or
Papers will be thankfully received
at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Addressee: Care of SUPERINTENDENT

Hongkong, December 14, 1892. 2198

To-day's Advertisements.

THE CHINA MAIL.

TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE 'CHINA MAIL']

(Via Southern Line.)

ADMIRAL FAIRFAX TO BE TRIED BY COURT MARTIAL.

London, 17th December.

Admiral Fairfax will be tried by Court Martial for the loss of the ironclad *Hawke*.

THE PANAMA CANAL SCANDAL.

Owing to his age and weak state of health, the name of Mon. Ferdinand de Lesseps is not included in the warrant issued for the trial of the managers of the Isthmus of Panama Canal for breach of trust and fraud.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED SUZU CANAL.

OUTWARD BOUND.—*Harrowdale*, Nov. 11; *Teucer*, 23; *Hawke*; *Ainstie*, 29; *Telamon*, Oceanian, Dec. 6; *Glorious*, *Strathcon*, 9; *Patriotus*, *Hawke*, *Acasta*, 13.

HOMEWARD BOUND.—*Benevento*, November 22; *Saghalien*, 23; *Carmarthenshire*, *Daphne*, 29; *Agamemnon*, *Glenartney*, Dec. 3; *Bombay*, 6; *Sachsen*, *Onward*, *Maria Theresa*, *Adelaide*, 9; *Polyphemus*, *Glazee*, 13.

The P. & O. s.s. *Virago*, with the Ensigns Mars of Nov. 18, left Singapore on Tuesday, December 13, at 5 p.m., and is now due. This packet brings replies to letters dispatched from Hongkong on Oct. 13.

The Norddeutscher Lloyd S. S. Company's s.s. *Germania*, with the German Mars from Berlin to Nov. 21, left Singapore on Friday, Dec. 16, at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, Dec. 22.

The Pacific Mail Steamship Co.'s s.s. *China* of Peking, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to November 26, left Yokohama for this port on Monday, Dec. 19, at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Saturday, Dec. 24.

The R. M. S. S. *Empress of China* left Vancouver for Hongkong via Yokohama, Kobe and Shanghai on Dec. 13.

The O. & S. s.s. *Adelaide*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Yokohama on Dec. 15.

The Northern Pacific s.s. *Victoria* left Victoria, B.C., on Saturday, Dec. 17, for Hongkong, via Japan.

The D. D. R. s.s. *Aleutis*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port on Dec. 12, and may be expected here on or about Dec. 20.

The s.s. *Arran* Apear, from Calcutta, left Singapore on Dec. 13, and may be expected here on or about Dec. 23.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Dardanus* left Singapore on Dec. 14, and may be expected here on or about Dec. 21.

The Glen Line steamer *Glenyle*, from London for this port, left Singapore on Dec. 17, and may be expected here on or about Dec. 24.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamship *Teucer* left Singapore on Dec. 20, and may be expected here on or about Dec. 27.

The P. & O. s.s. *Thistle* left Bombay for this port on Dec. 9.

The N. G. L. s.s. *Jorimda* left Bombay for this port on Dec. 10, and may be expected here on or about Jan. 6, 1893.

The meeting of the Legislative Council adjourned to Wednesday, 28th inst., is postponed to Thursday, 5th January, 1893.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Fencer* left Singapore this morning, and may be expected here on or about the 27th instant.

The Hand of the 1st Shropshire L. I. will play the following programme at the Officers' Mess this evening, commencing at 8 o'clock:—

Dancers ('Islands') D'Albert.
Selection ('Requiem of Balfe') Godfrey.
Valse ('Kunstler Leben') Strauss.
Selection ('The Old Guard') Planquette.
Song ('Mona') Adam.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial Hospital begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospital:—

Van Wu Company	... \$50
A Chinese Friend	... 50
Tung Cheung Wah	... 10
Tung Kee	... 10
Lan Siu Lock	... 5
Chiu Lung Si	... 5
Wing Kit	... 5
Comptors of W. G. Humphreys	... 5
Wu Yee Sing	... 5
Yit Yak Chi	... 5
Yeo Kwong Chang	... 3
Wong Wing Sheng	... 3
Kung On Wing	... 2
Wong Ching Ngam	... 3
In smaller sums	... 50.50

This assault-at-arms and military spectacular performance promoted by the Victoria Recreation Club and the Shropshire Light Infantry was repeated in the Theatre Royal last night. With the exception of a few unimportant alterations the programme was identical with that presented at the last performance. The Volunteers were again successful in their sword exercise and field gun drill which were introduced before the military display. On this occasion victory was allowed to rest with the Afghans who afterwards repeated their clever exhibition of swordsmanship. There were two clever bouts of boxing between Corporal Thomas, R. E., and Mr. W. Wark (heavy weight) and Mr. J. Gedge and Mr. C. T. Robinson (light weight). Owing to counter attractions the attendance was not so large as at the first performance.

On the evening of Monday, the 12th inst., says the N.-C. Daily News, a Custom House officer, while on duty at the C. N. C. office, who cured himself of Deafness and Noses in the Head of 14 years, stated by a new method, will be pleased to send full details to Mr. Alexander Carson, 8, Shipton's Place, Kensington Park, London, S.E., Eng.

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Those who visited Harrison's Circus last night, and there was a good audience in spite of competing attractions elsewhere, witnessed one of the best circus performances ever put before the community of Hongkong. In their doubt not those clever equestrians Madie, Lo Rhoda and Mr. George Hartman, scored a decided success, and no way believe in the display of ability in their particular line were Signors Byssack and Gilbart on the horizontal bars. The latter is an accomplished and conscientious artiste devoid of any unnecessary ostentation, and has shown wonderful improvement since his first appearance here. Along with Dan Feoley he led on the large company of acrobats who astonished the people with their ground tumbling and combination acts. There was plenty of the comic element. Indeed, the circus is good all round at present, is fortunate in possessing a large array of clowns who never fail to raise a hearty laugh. Of the broadly funny style is Mathews and Hayes boxing, although but Dan and Tony Feeley with their comic globe combine agility and dexterity with their feeling. Two youthful members of the Feeley family scored here the hit of the evening in their act designated as L'Echelle. A skeleton or shell of a ladder is suspended from the roof of the Circus at a considerable height from the ground, and at this dizzy height the youngsters—Annie and Dickie Feeley—go through a variety of tricks with a daring and dash that has seldom, if ever, been excelled. Considering that the boy has been off duty for several weeks and that there has been little time for reward practice together the performance is all the more marvellous. The dive into the net below them raised and while hostilities appeared imminent we had 160 or 170 men on parade twice a day, morning and evening, and most zealous and energetic they were. The moment the possibility of hostilities had passed away the numbers present on parade dropped to 30 or 40 men. There are many details to be considered as to how the corps should be worked to prove most effective and popular. Perhaps some arrangement could be made by which in Shropshire the young soldiers would be called out for a short period of, say, a month or six weeks in the cooler season of the year devoted to training, drill, morning and evening, and the men left to dispose of their time as they pleased during the greater portion of the rest of the year. Since 1878 the European population of the colony has very considerably increased and I myself believe that if hostilities were threatened, or were to break out, over 300 instead of 200 would be ready to turn out at a moment's notice. Is it too much to expect that 100 or 120 could be got together now? I do not understand quite whether His Excellency means a force of 120 men in addition to the present force.

His Excellency—No, including the present corps.

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